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Workshop for the National Focal Points of the Least Developed Countries on the implementation of the Istanbul Programme of Action

**Sunday, 27 July 2014, Cotonou, Benin
« Salle du Fleuve Jaune », Ground floor, Ministry of Foreign Affairs**

Agenda

10 – 10:20 am -- Opening session

- Opening statement by H.E. Professeur Nassirou BAKO-ARIFARI, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Benin, Chair of the Global Coordination Bureau of LDCs
- Statement by Mr. Gyan C. Acharya, Under-Secretary-General and High Representative for LDCs, LLDCs and SIDS (UN-OHRLS)
- Statement by Mr. Abdoulaye Mar Dieye, Assistant Administrator and Director, Regional Bureau for Africa, UNDP

10:20 – 10:30 am -- Coffee break

10:30 – 11:30am -- Session 1: United Nations support to the Istanbul Programme of Action implementation at country level

- Dialogue with UN Resident Coordinators:
 - Mr. Lamin Manneh, Resident Coordinator, Rwanda; Mr. Kamil Kamaluddeen, Country Director, UNDP Liberia; Ms. Ulrika Richardson, Resident Coordinator, Cape Verde (via video message); Mr. Gilbert Poumangue, Deputy Resident Representative and Dr. Youssouf Gamatie, Resident Coordinator a.i., Benin; Ms. Maria Do Valle Ribeiro, Resident Coordinator, Angola.
- Interactive debate.



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12 pm – 1:30 pm -- Session 2: Implementing the Istanbul Programme of Action at the national level

- National presentations by National Focal Points:
 - on mainstreaming IPoA into national development strategies;
 - on national strategies for graduation from the LDC category by 2020;
 - on concrete policy measures enacted to enhance productive capacity building.
- Interactive debate.

1:30 – 3pm -- Lunch break

3 - 5 pm -- Session 2 (cont.ed)

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 - on national strategies for graduation from the LDC category by 2020;
 - on concrete policy measures enacted to enhance productive capacity building.
- Interactive debate.

5 – 5:10 pm -- Coffee break

5:10 – 5:40 pm -- Session 2 (cont.ed)

5:40 – 5:55pm – Session 3: The future of the International Migrants Remittances Observatory for the LDCs

- Presentation by Mr. Eric Adja, Acting Director General, IMRO

5:50 pm -- Closing session